

# Town of Clarence Neighborhood Watch

#### **Report Suspicious Activity To The Police**

## The Community & The Police Working Together To Solve Crime

### WHAT IS NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH?

Neighborhood Watch is an organized effort by concerned residents to look out for each other's safety, and to help law enforcement officers protect people and their homes against crimininals. It shows people how to cooperate with each other, and with the police, in a common cause - SAFE HOMES AND COMMUNITIES.

Working together, neighbors learn how to safeguard each other's homes and reduce the risk of crime. They become more alert to unusual or suspicious circumstances, individuals or vehicles. Citizens learn that it is better to call the police when they see something suspicious, even if their suspicion proves unfounded, rather than to keep quiet and risk letting a neighbor be victimized by criminals.

REMEMBER! Communities are made up of people who have the power to protect each other's safety. By reporting any suspicious activity to the Sheriff or State Police agencies, members of NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH actually increase their own safety.



Neighborhood Watch is an agreement between the police and the community.

The police cannot do the job of fighling crime alone, they need your help. Information can point to arrests...

Police cannot fight crime they do not about. When alert citizens keep them informed, the police are far more effective against crime - and citizens have better protection and safer communities.

Join your neighbors to organize a NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH program in your community. You'll be protecting your own home and your own safety.

The Neighborhood Watch is Sponsored By the Town of Clarence

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Clarence Town Board
Clarence Public Safety
Committee

For information on the Neighborhood Watch program contact the Town Supervisor at 716-741-8930

or write:
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Remember!
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Call 9-1-1

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What the Police Need To Know...

WHAT HAPPENED? Where?

When? How? Who did it?

Was a vehicle used? If a vehicle was involved, what was its license plate number? Color of car? Make? Model? Year if possible? In what direction did they go?

Was anyone armed? How many people were there? Were they armed? What type of weapon? What was their gender? Race? Age? Height? Weight? Hair color? Clothing? Shoes? Any unusual characteristics?

WHAT SHOULD

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH SIGNS

TELL THE POTENTIAL CRIMINAL?

Our neighbors are watching over one another's family members and property and they have been trained to report suspicious activity or persons in the neighborhood to our law enforcement agencies.

### Look For These Suspicious Actions

- \* A stranger entering a neighbors home.
- \* An abandoned vehicle left for an unusual long time.

- \* Anyone looking into parked cars.
- \* Someone removing license plates or siphoning gaso line.
- \* Breaking glass, gunshots, screams or abnormal bark ing dogs.
- Anyone sitting in a vehicle for an abnormal amount of time.
- \* Window recently broken in a home.
- \* Anyone loitering around buildings or schools.
- Anyone that appears to be looking into your neighbors windows.
- \* Any vehicle cruising very slowly going back and forth.
- Anyone going door-to-door who tries to open a door, or goes into back yards.
- \* Anyone carrying unwrapped wrapped TV's Stereo's, radios, etc.
- \* That person going around door-to-door, do they have the proper Town permit?

  Are they casing the houses?

Remember! Jot that license plate number down, remember what that suspicious person looked like. Observe & report!